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SUBJECT: PROPOSED MARYLAND/LOUISIANA STATE FUR TRADERS
IOGA TRADE MISSION

REF: 1) STATE 001031, 2) LONDON 00260

1. FRANCE IS NOT MAJOR FUR WHOLESALE MARKET AND IN
FACT DOES NOT HAVE ANY FUR AUCTIONS. WE CALLED
MAJOR IMPORTERS AND BUYERS OF NADUTRIA, MUSKRAT, FOX

AND RACoon FUR AND THEY EXPLAINED THAT THEY REGULARLY
VISIT LONDON, NEW YORK AND OTHER FUR MARKETS. SOME
EVEN HAVE AN OFFICE IN THOSE CITIES. THEY WOULD
MEET WITH TRADE MISSION MEMBERS WHEN THEY COME TO
PARIS, BUT THEIR INTEREST WAS ONLY LUKEWARM AT BEST.

2. NEVERTHELESS, WE SHALL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO
ASSURE THAT MISSION'S VISIT TO FRANCE IS A SUCCESS.
PARIS WOULD BE THE ONLY FRENCH CITY WORTH VISITING
AND THREE WORKING DAYS WOULD BE MAXIMUM RECOMMENDED
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DURATION. UNLESS MISSION MEMBERS HAVE FRENCH
LANGUAGE CAPABILITY, FUNDS SHOULD BE ALLOCATED FOR
HIRING OF INTERPRETER (APPROXIMATELY \$400.-- FOR
THREE DAYS).

3. WEEK OF APRIL LL-15 IS PREFERABLE FROM TIMING
STANDPOINT SINCE BY APRIL L5 FUR TRADERS WILL LEAVE

PARIS TO ATTEND FRANKFURT SHOW. WE ASSUME THAT MISSION
CANNOT SCHEDULE VISIT TO COINCIDE WITH PARIS FUR SHOW
MARCH 26-30.

4. POINT OF CONTACT FOR MISSION AT EMBASSY WILL BE
COMMERCIAL ATTACHE, JOHN P. FERRITER.

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